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To prevent future contamination and encourage reuse of facilities regulated by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), EPA is seeking applications by Feb. 1 for six new pilot projects under the second round of the Brownfields Prevention Initiative. For more information, contact JosJ E. Labiosa at 202-260-1910 or by E-mail at : labiosajose@epa.gov. In April 2000, EPA announced the selection of the first round of pilot projects. The sites for these four pilots were CBS/Viacom facility in Bridgeport, Conn.; the Bethlehem Steel Corporation site in Lackawanna, N.Y.; the PEPCO Energy facility in Chester, Pa.; and the Blue Valley Redevelopment site in Kansas City, Mo. These sites have already yielded results and innovations that can be used at other sites. All sites have cleanup and redevelopment plans well underway, and all have benefitted by cutting red tape and encouraging effective communication among all government levels, key decision makers, and communities. More information about the RCRA Brownfields Prevention Initiative is available at: <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields> . Additional information about RCRA Cleanup Reforms is available at: <http://www.epa.gov/correctiveaction>.

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